



CITY COUNCIL
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

A RESOLUTION

Councilmembers Jim Maddox and Ivory Lee Young, Jr.

A Resolution urging the Administration at Clark Atlanta University to consider the historic significance of Paschal's Restaurant and to seek alternatives to its demolition

03- R-1343

WHEREAS, Paschal's Restaurant was founded by James and Robert Paschal in 1947 as a sandwich shop on Hunter Street (now known as Martin Luther King, Jr. Drive); and

WHEREAS, in 1959, the restaurant was moved to its present location and in 1960 a hotel and conference was added to the facility; and

WHEREAS, this facility was in the center of the black community, and was the epicenter of black culture during those days of segregation and;

WHEREAS, Paschal's hosted numerous strategy meetings of historic significance; including, but not limited to, the planning of the famed "Selma to Montgomery March"; and

WHEREAS, in 1996 the facility was purchased by Clark Atlanta University, which continued to operate it as a restaurant/conference center; and

WHEREAS, citing financial difficulties, CAU applied for a demolition permit to demolish the facility, to be replaced with a student dormitory; and

WHEREAS, the demolition of this institution will cause a major part of the City's history to disappear; and

WHEREAS, the restaurant closed its doors on Monday, July 26th, 2003.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ATLANTA, GEORGIA hereby urges the administration of Clark Atlanta University to consider the historic significance of Paschal's and seek alternatives to closing the Restaurant.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Municipal Clerk is hereby directed to forward a copy of this Resolution to the President and the members of the Board of Trustees of Clark Atlanta University.

A true copy,

Rhonda Dauphin Johnson
Municipal Clerk, CMC

ADOPTED by the Council
RETURNED WITHOUT SIGNATURE OF THE MAYOR
APPROVED as per City Charter Section 2-403

AUG 18, 2003

AUG 27, 2003

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3:34 PM

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COUNCILMEMBER SMITH ACCEPT DONATION
IMPROVEMENTS TO GRANT PARK, CONSERVANCY
ADOPT

YEAS: 14
NAYS: 0
ABSTENTIONS: 0
NOT VOTING: 1
EXCUSED: 0
ABSENT 1

Y Smith	B Archibong	Y Moore	Y Mitchell
Y Starnes	Y Fauver	Y Martin	Y Norwood
Y Young	Y Shook	Y Maddox	Y Willis
Y Winslow	Y Muller	Y Boazman	NV Woolard

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